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Sunday 15th September 2019

Greetings and welcome to this week's newsletter

Coming Sunday evenings at Athelstone Uniting Church

15 September - 6.30 for 7.00pm - Spirited Sunday at The Rezz with guest speaker Martyn Smith.

22 September - 6.00pm - Prayer Walk

29 September - 6.00pm - Chill Night - Dinner and Debrief night at The Rezz

All are welcome to any of our Sunday evening activities, and as usual are welcome to join us for dinner or a cuppa each Sunday night at The Rezz afterwards.

Spirited Sunday with Martyn Smith

Tonight - 15 September - 6.30 for 7.00pm - at The Rezz

Martyn will come and explore the value in our everyday work/activities. It should be an encouraging talk!

Martyn Smith is a Chartered Accountant and Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. He has worked in professional services, asset management, electronics and audio visual, church ministry and aged care. Martyn has been part of two business start-ups, including the precursor to Café Indigo Espresso at the Athelstone Shopping Centre. More recently, he and his wife bought Ricca Coffee Company in 2016. Ricca operates out of Thebarton and is one of Adelaide's original commercial coffee roasters.

Presbytery Meeting

The next meeting of the Transitional Presbytery of SA is coming up on the morning of Saturday 21 September (9.30am-12.30pm). We will gather at Burnside City for worship and prayer, for conversation and business.

The Restructuring Task Group have been moving around the Synod listening to the hopes and dreams people have for the new Presbyteries that will be formed in November. The task group have heard from ministers and lay people, chaplains and pastors, from these consultations ideas are beginning to form about future directions. At our meeting we will hear some of the task group's findings and reflections and will have an opportunity for further conversation. At the meeting we will also be discussing a number of proposals that the task group have formulated. The meeting is open to members of our congregation. Please let Ann Brown or Linda Driver know if you are interested in attending.

Join the UCA in Global Climate Action

UCA President Dr Deidre Palmer and Moderator Rev Sue Ellis are encouraging all people of the Uniting Church to join the global climate strike on Friday, 20 September. There is an event planned for 12 noon in Victoria Square, Adelaide - Global Strike 4 Climate (associated with School Strike 4 Climate).

"Why? Climate change is the single greatest threat to livelihoods, security and well-being of peoples across the world. The people of rural Australia, the island nations in the Pacific and the world's poorest are being disproportionately harmed by climate change. We Christians are called to be God's co-workers, striving for the reconciliation and renewal of the whole creation. We believe we have a moral responsibility to act, and that God is calling us to be bearers of hope and prophetic action." (UnitingWorld statement)

For more information or to get involved, contact Linda.

Rosters for Oct/Nov/Dec

These have been sent out electronically. If you require a hard copy please see Gus or Jan Robin.

If you are able to help with the **Christmas Services** please contact Gus direct, by tel. 8337 0011 or by email jg.robin@bigpond.com

Triple C's

Well the Chatter by Chaps over Coffee was really loud and clear last Wednesday, what a way to go. To those who could not make it you were missed by the 18 attendees. If sickness kept you away then may you have a speedy recovery. Next date is **October 9th @ 1030 at The Rezz**. Again I will book for 16 to hopefully again proved wrong with a higher number attending and new faces yet to "try us", as we laugh chat and problem solve.....Ray.

Spring Fair – Saturday, 12th October – 8am – 1pm

The Spring Fair is coming up quickly and we hope everyone will support the Fair to make it a great event for our church and community.



Second Hand Goods

Time to spring clean and we would love some donations for the shed which is only half full – Small furniture, bric-a-brac, toys, books, gift ware, kitchen ware, electrical goods, paintings etc

See Trev Curtis and Di Curtis

Plants/Garden Accessories

Time to pot up some plants for the sale or spring clean your shed for garden items – *See Lyndon & Wendy Rowe*

Second hand clothes

Clothes, shoes and accessories are required for the Clothes stall – *See Coralie Summers and Jeanine Dry*

Cake and food stall

All donations of homemade cakes, biscuits and ready made meals would be appreciated – *See Ann Brown*

Devonshire tea

Home-made Scones and donations of jam and cream would assist the Devonshire tea team – *See Robyn Stevenson & Janet Armstrong*

For all enquiries regarding the Spring Fair please contact Trevor Curtis - (0415-652-120)

Save the Date

On **Saturday October 19th** (Approx 9.30 am-2.30 pm) we are combining with Modbury Uniting and Stillpoint to host a prayer retreat - "Taste and See that the Lord is Good" - please put this date in your diary with more details to follow. *Thanks Lee O'Connell*



Who Doesn't Love A Quiz Night?

Well you are so lucky as a Quiz Night is being held at our church on **Saturday October 26th commencing at 7.30pm**. This will be a fun night for our church families and their friends to come along and join in the fun. Mark the date in your diary and look out for more information in coming weeks.

Have you thought about your shoebox yet?

We have Lynette Beck coming to talk to us about Operation Christmas Child. It would be good to have some shoeboxes on display even if they are not completed yet. Start collecting now!



Uniting Communities Eastern Services

The Athelstone UC congregation have been great supporters of the Uniting Communities Eastern Services office at Beulah Park by providing tinned food for distribution for those in need. Please continue to support this and place any items on the table inside the Church door. *Thanks, Brenton*

Walkerville Uniting Church are currently organising a program on Monday, 23rd September entitled "Connect and Thrive with Age", to explore the issues of living and dying well.

There are two sessions - 10 am to 12 noon and 12.30 to 2.00 pm. See Notice Board for details.

Campbelltown Uniting Church - Spring Market - 21st September 9am – 2pm

Hand made craft stalls, home baked goodies, plants, bric-a-brac, book stalls, BBQ, Devonshire teas, etc.
All are invited!



Come and join us with your preschoolers and babies
on alternate Tuesdays (even week of school term) from 10-00 am to 11-30 am
at Athelstone Uniting Church, corner Fox Avenue & Kantilla Drive

Term 3 - 24th September **Term 4** - 22nd October, 5th & 19th November, 3rd December

Last Tuesday, the sun shone and 17 children with carers and helpers, totaling 35 on deck, gathered for a fun morning. We currently have a FULL ENROLMENT of 20 and a waiting list with 4, so if you have any new inquiries for children, please warn them! Please make contact with Bruce and Joy if you are available to help on Tuesdays or at various times to maintain the wirra.

Bruce and Joy Stewart Phone: 83362671 or Email: bruceandjoy@bigpond.com

Wider Church - <https://sa.uca.org.au>

You can also subscribe to receive UC. E-News personally if you wish.

Inner Wheel Club of North East Sunset have a movie fundraiser (*Downton Abbey*) which you might be interested in supporting on 29th September - see Notice Board at back of Church.

Electronic Giving – Forms are available or speak to Treasurer Glen Luestner for more information.

Pastoral care - Please contact a member of our Pastoral Care Oversight Team for assistance:

Rev Linda Driver 0458 500 656 Bob Stevenson 0400 641 242

Brenton Summers 0400 632 829 Ann Brown 0413 581 554

Prayer Requests - Can we support you in prayer? Here's how:

Prayer Chain - send an email to, or call Brenton Summers, who will pass your prayer request on to a group of people who faithfully pray in response to Prayer Chain emails.

Confidential Prayers - if the issue is more personal you are invited to contact Linda for individual prayer or one the members of the Pastoral Care Oversight team (Brenton Summers, Ann Brown, Bob Stevenson and Linda). All prayer requests going to the team will be kept strictly confidential within this team.

Prayers for Others (Sunday Worship) – Linda provides our Worship Leaders with prayer points as appropriate. Prayer points are also sourced from the Prayer Chain. If you have something you would like to be included in Prayers for Others, please contact Linda. "We are all called to pray for one another, and so we are all encouraged to offer to pray for, or with others, especially if they share a concern with you." (James 5:13-16)

Did you know? Sermons are now being added to our website each week. So if you missed a Sunday, or find it helpful to reflect on the sermon during the week, check them out.

You'll find Sermons under our News and Blogs tab <https://athelstonechurch.org.au/sermons-2/>

You can now listen online. Click on the link provided on our website or download the sermon.net app <https://sermon.net/for-the-listener/mobile-apps/>

Website – We encourage you to visit our website: www.athelstonechurch.org.au

Newsletter contributions – Please email newsletter@athelstonechurch.org.au by 5pm Wed.

Lectionary readings

15th September – Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28, Psalms 14, 1 Timothy 2:1-7, Luke 16:1-13,

22nd September – Jeremiah 8:18-9:1, Psalms 79:1-9,, 1 Timothy 2:1-7, Luke 16:1-13

Roster

	15 th September	22 nd September
Preacher	Linda	TBC
Worship Leader	Meg	Di
Singers	Dave/Marie/Ruth	Robyn/Bob/Janet
Keyboard	Di	Shelley
Guitar	Chris/Shelley	Dave/Chris
Data Projector	Samantha	Samantha
Flowers	Raelene	Marie H
Door Stewards & Offering	Raelene & Rob	Jan & Gus
Notices	Brenton	Sylvia
Scripture Reader	Friederike	Ray
Offering Count	Friederike/Paul	Don/Bob
Tea & Coffee	Jan & Gus	Sylvia & Noel
Sound	Noel	Don
Building Steward	Gus	Richard

What's on 16th - 22nd September

Monday	16 th	9.30-11.30 am	Counselling *	Chapel/Quiet Room
		4.45-6.45 pm	Waratah Calisthenics College *	Auditorium
		6.30-8.30 pm	Gain Momentum – Pilates *	Top Hall
Tuesday	17 th	9.00 am	Book Club	Coffee Shop
		9.30–11.30 am	Gain Momentum – Pilates *	Top Hall
		6.30-7.30pm	Reach your Feat *	Top Hall
Wednesday	18 th	9.30–10.30 am	Gain Momentum – Pilates *	Top Hall
		6.00-8.00 pm	Waratah Calisthenics College *	Auditorium
		6.30-7.30 pm	Reach Your Feat *	Top Hall
Thursday	19 th	5.30-6.30 pm	Reach your Feat *	Top Hall
Friday	20 th	10.00-12.00 pm	Friendship Club – Visit to Robern Menz	
Saturday	21 st	9.30–11.30 am	Gain Momentum – Pilates *	Top Hall
		10.00 am	Garden Working Bee	Garden
		10.00-11.00 am	Waratah Calisthenics College *	Auditorium
Sunday	22 nd	9.30 am	Worship	Auditorium
		6.00 pm	Prayer Walk	The Rezz

** These events are organised by community hirers*